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Date: April 1, 2013

RE: Docket No. 2013-59-E.

Dear Sirs:

As per the information that you provided in the **NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING** DOCKET NO. 2013-59-E; DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC - Application for Authority to Adjust and Increase the Company's Electric Rates and Charges; as instructed, I am writing you to request that the Public Service Commission hold a public hearing in Greenville County, SC, in order to provide access and opportunity for the citizens of Greenville County to provide input on the Commission's request. A few years ago, a public hearing on a similar request from Duke Energy was held at Greenville County Square in the County Council Chambers, 301 University Ridge.

I do believe that if your staff contacts the County of Greenville, that arrangements could be made again for the use of that location. Thank you for your speedy response to this request.

Sincerely,

Rep. Leola Robinson-Simpson S.C. House of Representatives

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